

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method for providing a distributor interface, comprising:
- a) receiving data from a plurality of stores of a supply chain utilizing a network, the data relating to an amount of goods sold by the stores;
 - b) aggregating the data in a database;
 - c) receiving a request from a distributor, the request including a plurality of distributor parameters;
 - d) extracting information from the database relevant to the distributor parameters in response to the request;
 - e) transmitting the information from the database to the distributor utilizing the network; and
 - f) adjusting an amount of supplies purchased in correlation to the production of the goods based on the information.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the parameters relate to a forecasted amount of the required goods to be delivered to the stores.

3. The method of claim 1, wherein the network includes the Internet.

4. The method of claim 1, wherein the information is displayed utilizing a network-based interface.

5. The method of claim 1, wherein the stores include restaurants.

6. A system for providing a distributor interface, comprising:
- a) logic for receiving data from a plurality of stores of a supply chain utilizing a network, the data relating to an amount of goods sold by the stores;

- 4 b) logic for aggregating the data in a database;
 5 c) logic for receiving a request from a distributor, the request including a plurality of
 6 distributor parameters;
 7 d) logic for extracting information from the database relevant to the distributor
 8 parameters in response to the request;
 9 e) logic for transmitting the information from the database to the distributor utilizing
 10 the network; and
 11 f) logic for adjusting an amount of supplies purchased in correlation to the
 12 production of the goods based on the information.

1 7. The system of claim 6, wherein the parameters relate to a forecasted amount of
 2 the required goods to be delivered to the stores.

1 8. The system of claim 6, wherein the network includes the Internet.

1 9. The system of claim 6, wherein the information is displayed utilizing a network-
 2 based interface.

1 10. The system of claim 6, wherein the stores include restaurants.

- 1 11. A computer program product for providing a distributor interface, comprising:
 2 a) computer code for receiving data from a plurality of stores of a supply chain
 3 utilizing a network, the data relating to an amount of goods sold by the stores;
 4 b) computer code for aggregating the data in a database;
 5 c) computer code for receiving a request from a distributor, the request including a
 6 plurality of distributor parameters;
 7 d) computer code for extracting information from the database relevant to the
 8 distributor parameters in response to the request;
 9 e) computer code for transmitting the information from the database to the
 10 distributor utilizing the network; and

11 f) computer code for adjusting an amount of supplies purchased in correlation to the
12 production of the goods based on the information.

1 12. The computer program product of claim 11, wherein the parameters relate to a
2 forecasted amount of the required goods to be delivered to the stores.

1 13. The computer program product of claim 11, wherein the network includes the
2 Internet.

1 14. The computer program product of claim 11, wherein the information is displayed
2 utilizing a network-based interface.

1 15. The computer program product of claim 11, wherein the stores include
2 restaurants.